

## Comments

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**Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation?** No, I'm submitting as an individual

**Are you willing to tell us more about yourself?** Yes

**Which age category are you in?** 40-64 years old

**Which suburb or area do you live in?**

**Do you think we've prioritised the right issues and opportunities?** No

**What do you feel are the significant challenges and opportunities we face?**

Air Quality, Nitrate Levels and Commuter Bus for Central Christchurch

**Which of the proposed options would you like to see us progress with?** Option 1: statutory work, prior commitments and accelerating key initiatives

**It is important that we hear what you would like to keep in the plan, what you think should be removed, and anything that you think we have missed?**

Would like to see three issues addressed - 1. Air Quality monitoring equipment being purchased and staff funding for staff to monitor these independently, 2. The rising nitrate levels in our drinking water aquifers being taken seriously and the acceptable level see at less than 1 milligram per litre and 3, A commuter bus for central Christchurch. Scrap the free buses plan, it will be appeal for the start but the fantasy will wear off.

**Do you generally support the activities proposed in the following portfolios:**

<b>Water and Land</b>	No
<b>Biodiversity and Biosecurity</b>	Yes
<b>Climate Change and Community Resilience</b>	Yes
<b>Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development</b>	No
<b>Regional and Strategic Leadership</b>	Yes

**Do you have any further comments on the activities proposed in specific portfolio/s (please select all those you wish to comment on):**

- . Water and Land
- . Climate Change and Community Resilience
- . Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development

**Water and Land portfolio comments:**

Have real concerns around our Drinking Water Aquifers and Nitrate levels. Danish research has shown anything over .87 can increase the risk of cancer. The cost to fix our aquifers should we need to due to nitrate levels will cost billions - I would never want to see us facing that rates bill or future generations

**Climate Change and Community Resilience portfolio comments:**

Would love to see the Inner City Bus return - electric of course. The timing is right. There is good numbers of residents living in the city and increasing all the time and visitors plus overseas tourists hopefully by the end of the year. Would actually like to see park and rides for residents out of the central city to park up at and then travel around the inner city to their destinations by bus. Would take much clutter out of the central city and parking issues. Bus would need to be free which is offset by less traffic.

**Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development portfolio comments:**

The situation with our Quarries being so close to residential is beyond belief and ECAN need to act with strict and independent monitoring to satisfy residents and show some transparency around readings. At the moment ECAN is like a school in charge of its students but letting its students (Quarry Operators) run riot and ECAN does not care.

**Is the proposed increase in rates affordable for your household?** Option 1 is affordable

**Any further comments on affordability for your household?**

Its not about the rates increase to me its about action, doing what you promise to do and showing your really care for the environments for the residents and future generations.

**Is the proposed increase in rates affordable as a whole for the Canterbury community?** Yes

**Any further comments on affordability for the community?**

For the reasons above

**Do you support the changes we're proposing to how we apply Uniform Annual General Charges?** Yes

**Would you support the use of borrowing for operating expenditure to offset some of the first year rates?** Yes

**Any further comments on the use of borrowing for operating expenditure?**

As long as the borrowing levels will not burden future generations and that the borrowing is spent on expenditure to save costs in the future.

**Do you support the rationale and proposed changes in the draft Fees and Charges Policy?** Yes

**Where do you live in Canterbury? Select your district below:** Christchurch city including Banks Peninsula

**Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Kaikoura**

**Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Hurunui**

**Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Waimakariri**

**Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Christchurch** . Other initiative/s (please specify)

**Other initiative/s (please specify) Christchurch**

The most up to date and increased nitrate readings  
Purchase of Air/Dust Monitors that are independently monitored by ECAN staff (allowance made in budget for additional staff)  
Yellow Bus Electric for inner city use

**Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Selwyn**

**Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Ashburton**

**Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Mackenzie**

**Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Timaru**

**Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Waimate**

**Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Waitaki**



**Any further comments?**

Yes please look after our environment, your decisions will impact on our future generations - take the hard decisions that are best for our future. Dust from Quarries is effecting residents health as we speak, our aquifers are under attack from Nitrate act now, show you care.

**Do you wish to speak to your submission?** Yes

*We may use your phone number to contact you to arrange attendance at a hearing. This information will be kept private.*

**Phone number**

**Would you like to be kept up-to-date with the outcome of this consultation?** Yes

**How did you find out about giving feedback?** . Other (please specify)

*Your information is held and administered by Environment Canterbury in accordance with the Privacy Act 2020 and Environment Canterbury's Privacy Policy.*

**There is personal information/contact details in my submission I do not want disclosed:** No